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STACKED VIA STRUCTURE THAT INCLUDES A SKIP VIA

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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This paper responds to the Office Action mailed on January 12, 2005. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.